



# HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Narrogin Senior High School  
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## Wise Women Murdoch Excursion

On Wednesday the 7 June, 18 female students from Narrogin Senior Highschool headed to Murdoch University to be part of the annual Wise Women event. The event was organised to inspire young women to work towards a career in the STEM industry. Many schools from around the state were part of the event, including students from Busselton SHS, Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School, Mount Barker SHS, Geraldton Grammar, and the Australian Christian College.

The event started off with the girls receiving a Murdoch University goodie bag on entry into the lecture theatre, and an explanation of the schedule for the day. This was followed by an address from guest speaker, Lilijana Nicholls. Lilijana explained how she had begun her journey into the STEM industry by first joining Murdoch University at the age of 15. She had achieved already completed a degree and was working towards a PHD at the age of 19. Lilijana discussed the hardships of falling apart with friends, her struggles with her social identity and her passion for science that pushed her forward. After a thank-you and a close, the girls headed out to morning tea (which had been highly anticipated).

The first practical workshop the girls were invited to was a haematology workshop, where the girls had to identify the differences between different blood smears using microscopes. They learnt how certain diseases affected blood cells, and why blood acted this way. This was followed by a microscopic observation of cells from major organs in the body, and the girls had to identify, using clues, which organ belonged to each slide. After this, the girls were able to look at the different shapes of bacteria. At the end of the session, the correct answers were identified on the organs challenge. The girls left for lunch, which had been provided by Murdoch.

The second workshop the girls attended was a fauna observation and rehabilitation workshop. The girls, in groups of three, sat in front of a caged "quenda" (a stuffed echidna toy). The lecturer explained how people observe animals using traps, including a wide variety of harmless devices used in different environments for different animals. The girls were tasked with "observing" the captured quenda, recording its physical status and if it had been captured before, which could be identified by the quenda's ear. The girls named their quendas, and then they were tasked with coming up with appropriate traps for an animal they were given.

Once the second workshop had closed, the girls were taken back to the lecture theatre along with the other schools, where a Q&A panel discussion was held. Four of the women involved in the workshop, including a careers advisor, answered questions from all the schools. They couldn't answer all the questions, as the event had to be closed at around 2:50 pm. The girls departed on the bus, driven by Mrs. Corner, and made their way back to Narrogin.

*Kate Corner*



# Country Week Teams 2023



Opening Ceremony



Ross Daley - Touch Rugby



Jayeisha Bolton-Ford - Netball



Sarah Corner - Netball



Andrew Pratt - Boys Volleyball



Ellie Sheridan - Girls Volleyball



Steve Fawcett - Mixed Soccer



Lilly Simkins - Mixed Hockey



Zoe Quartermaine - Girls Basketball



Kris McDonald - Boys Basketball



## Year 12 General Human Biology

Year 12 General Human Biology students investigate bacterial growth from different environments around the school. They have been learning about diseases and pathogens, such as bacteria, fungi, viruses and protists.

*Mrs Kristy Johnson*



Lucy Kilpatrick, Jordan Harcourt and Gemma Smith



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Makayla Beary and Evangeline Vader

## Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

Recently the Year 8, Food Science and Technology students again participated in Australia's Biggest Morning Tea in aid of the Cancer Council.

This is the 22nd year that Narrogin Senior High School has been involved in this worthwhile cause.

The students cooked a fantastic range of food that they were able to serve to staff, family, friends and the community.

Over \$600 was raised for the Cancer Council.

The students and staff would like to thank everyone for their support.

*Miss Hennessey, Miss Marlow, Mrs Pattullo & Mrs Watson*



## Year 8 Humanities and Social Sciences

In Humanities and Social Sciences this term the focus has been on Civics & Citizenship.

The Year 8 students had the opportunity to listen to a guest speaker and got a visit from Michelle Antonio in Weeks 8 and 9.

Michelle has been working as a lawyer for 20 years in both criminal and civil law, after she grew up on a farm in Wagin and Woodanilling. For the sessions, she set the students up like they were sitting in the court room and discussed what their roles would have been in a trial situation.

Other topics discussed included the court hierarchy, the adversarial system, and the burden of proof.

The favourite sections of the talks were definitely the question-and-answer component, where the Year 8 students had a lot of questions for Michelle, particularly about her involvement in criminal trials as both the defence and prosecution.

*Ms Ellie Shridan*

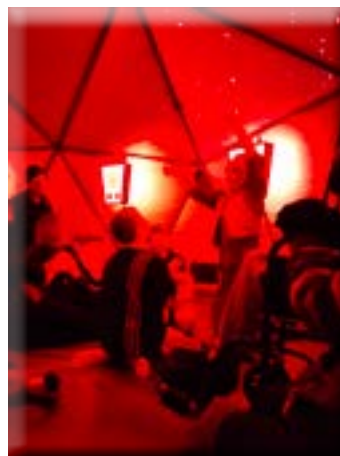


## WHOOSH

On Thursday 22 June, Room 30 went to the Narrogin town hall to see the action packed hands on performance of WHOOSH, a space adventure by the Sensorium Theatre.

Sensorium Theatre is a company based in Perth who specialise in making sensory theatre shows for children with disability including those with complex disability and those on the autism spectrum and/or with intellectual disability and complex communication needs.

*Mrs Chrissie Antonie*



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# Mid - Year Arts Night

On Wednesday 14 June, Narrogin SHS held its second Mid - Year Arts Night.

The evening provided the opportunity for students to showcase works developed throughout Semester One and for parents and community members to view these works and support the Arts.

Disciplines from year 7 Dance, year 7 & 8 Drama, and Years 7-12 Music, Art and Photography were displayed.

For many students this was their very first time performing on stage, and they did an amazing job. The event also provided an opportunity for fun and team building with peers.

I would like to thank staff, parents and the community for their support.

*Ms Meldrum*

*Dance Coordinator, Arts teacher*



## Year 7 Cicada Excursion

Narrogin was privileged to have the opportunity of Barking Gecko Theatre Company perform at the Narrogin Town Hall this year.

On May 30 some students from Year 7 attended “Cicada” and what an innovative show it was.

Winner of the Children’s Book Council Award for Best Picture Book in 2019, this new adaptation brings master-storyteller Shaun Tan’s much-loved Cicada to life in a stunning puppet show by some of WA’s leading theatre-makers and most exciting emerging artists.

A small story of epic proportions, Cicada is an allegory of difference, resilience and the light we all have inside ourselves. An enchanting tale for children finding their place in the world.

Thanks to Mr Durell for assisting on the excursion.



*Ms Meldrum  
Year 7 Coordinator*

## Countryweek Photos





## Student Services

We are excited to announce the launch of our school's chess club! This club is a great opportunity for students to learn and improve their chess skills, as well as develop important values such as respect, responsibility, and tolerance.

Chess is a game that requires strategic thinking, problem-solving, and patience. It is a great way to exercise the mind and improve cognitive abilities. Our chess club will provide students with the opportunity to learn and practice these skills in a fun and supportive environment.

In addition to improving their chess skills, students will also learn about the importance of respect, responsibility, and tolerance. These values are essential for building strong relationships and creating a positive school culture. Through chess, students will learn to respect their opponents, take responsibility for their actions, and tolerate different playing styles and strategies.

We encourage all students who are interested in chess to join our club. Whether you are a beginner or an experienced player, there is something for everyone.

Our club meets once a week during lunch on Thursday's, and we provide all the necessary equipment.

We look forward to seeing our students develop their chess skills and values through our school's chess club.

*Ms Narelle Penny*



## Annual General Meeting - Basketball

Do you have a child interested in basketball?

Please come to NJBA's AGM

**3 July 2023 @ 6:30pm New Cornwall Hotel, 12 Doney Street Narrogin**

We are looking to welcome new committee members on board!

Please email us at [narroginbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:narroginbasketball@gmail.com) to express your interest in a position on the committee, or nominate in person at the AGM.

RSVPs appreciated, but not essential.

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## Waxi Wraps



Students got to enjoy a lunch time activity with Miss Nelson making Sandwich Waxi Wraps.

Fresh bees wax from a local farm, lots of colourful material and a few laughs.





# Positive Behaviour School

At Narrogin Senior High School, one of our core expectations is TOLERANCE....

Students identified what they can do at school to openly demonstrate that they 'accept everyone's difference.'

In our Positive Behaviour lesson students had the opportunity to make a positive wall. Full of great ideas, suggestion and positive vibes..



## NOTICES

# EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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## **CERT III CIVIL CONSTRUCTION PLANT OPERATIONS**

This opportunity may allow you to gain the following tickets:

- Excavator
- Front End Loader
- Skid Steer
- Roller Operator
- White Card

This can help gain a job in:

- Construction Worker
- Mobile Plant Operator
- Earth Moving Plant Operator

Training Start Date - 8:30AM  
Tuesday 25 July 2023

Training Duration - 11 weeks -  
Monday to Friday, 8:30AM to 4:30PM

Finish Date - Friday 6 October 2023

Locations - Training Location TBC,  
Narrogin



## **HOW TO APPLY OR SHOW YOUR INTEREST**

If you're interested in getting involved or to apply, Contact Ms Trueman in the Front Office or on 9881 9300